

App. No. 10/606,578

Response Dated: December 10, 2007

Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of 11/19/2007

REMARKS

Applicants are in receipt of a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 19, 2007, Paper No. 20071117-1, with respect to applicants' Amendment filed on November 9, 2007.

The Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment states that the amendment to the claims is non-compliant because claim 19 has not been provided with a proper status identifier.

Applicants respectfully disagree and argue that the status identifier "original" is correct. Claim 19 is original to the patent application filed June 26, 2003, and as claim 19 was not amended or cancelled in the Amendment filed November 9, 2007, the status identifier should be "original".

Applicants respectfully request that the Amendment filed November 9, 2007, be deemed compliant and therefore entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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